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SUBJ: GOB REQUESTS ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING ENGINE DELIVERY

1. GOB HAS ASKED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING DELIVERY OF U.S. MARINE ENGINE ORDERED FOR INSTALLATION IN ONE OF BARBADOS' COAST GUARD CRAFT NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN U.#3. ACCOGMO MINEXTAFF WHICH CONTACTED EMBOFF BY TELEPHONE, AQUARIUS BOAT COMPANY OF CHRIST CHURCH, HAMPSHIRE, U.K. PLACED ORDER SUMMER OF 1973 TO CATERPILLAR TRACTOR CO. OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61602 FOR ED 334 TR MARINE ENGINES FOR INSTALLATION IN 40 FT. BARBADOS COAST GUARD PATROL BOAT 404, ONE OF FOUR BEING BUILT FOR GOB IN U.K. CATERPILLAR REPORTEDLY ACKNOWLEDGED ORDER AUGUST 21, 1973 SETTING DELIVERY DATE TO AQUARIUS OF JANUARY 11, 1974. WHILE OTHER ENGINES APPARENTLY ARRIVED ON THIS DATE, ONLY ONE ENGINE OF PAIR NEEDED FOR CG 404 WAS SENT. FURTHER INQUIRIES, EITHER BY AQUARIUS OR CATERPILLAR'S SOLE U.K. AGENT BOWMAKERS LTD., DISCLOSED THAT ADDITIONAL ENGINE SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY ON APRIL 9, 1974.

2. GOB FEARS THAT DELAY WILL FURTHER HEIGHTEN COSTS OF PATROL BOATS WHICH HAVE ALREADY BECOME CONTROVERSIAL MATTER IN HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY BUDGET DEBATES. GOB HAS ASKED EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ENSURING THAT ADDITIONAL ENGINE REACHES AQUARIUS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OR AT LEAST BY APRIL 9 DATE, NOW RAPIDLY APPROACHING.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IN VIEW OF GOB CONCERN AND LARGE EXPORT VALUE OF THIS SALE, WE RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT OR USDOC CONTACT

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CATERPILLAR TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO EXPEDITE DELIVERY OF

ADDITIONAL ENGINE.
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